# DISASTROUS FIRE SWEEPS LURAY, VA

Many Houses Burn, Causing a Loss of \$2,500-No Water Works.

Water Works.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

JURAY VA., October 10.—The most disastrous fire in the history of Shemandoah City, this county, broke out in that town about one o'clock Bunday morning, whing out an entire block, and entalling a loss of about 425,000.

The fire originated in a house owned by John Lucas and soon spread to adjoining property. The buildings destroyed were the Lucas building, the hotel run by J. M. T. Smith, bar-room belonging to A. W. Kimes, bar-room belonging to Abram Tatts, the Kauffman Hittel building, owned by John Lucas; the bar-room and pool-room belonging to Short and Lucas; the Shenandoah Inn, known as the Brown Hotel: the dwelling house and in shop belonging to John Coversione; the Merowitz building, which was bought a few years ago by Merowitz of John Wanamaker, of Philadelphia; the feed More and the shoemaker shop belonging to T. A. Miller and Thomas Smelzer; the D. W. Wyant building, in which a restruint and pool-room was conducted by Rhort and Lucas; the Charles O. Platt storchouse, owned by Jusper Kie, and livery stable conducted by O. Comer.

The town is without a water supply, having been two elections within the past year for the purpose of installing a water system, at a cost of \$1,800. Those favorable to the system have been successful in both contests, but owing to some technicality, the work had never been begure.

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Most of the property destroyed was in

## MINISTER'S VIEW OF "DELIVERANCE"

Or. W. E. Evans was thought by some of his congregation Sunday to have referred rather soverely to Miss Glassow's novel, but Dr. Evans said last night that he did not offer a criticism of the book, but simply drew on it for illustrations needed in his sermon. Dr. Evans said. Other Men's Sins. I had discussed the way in which men partake of the sins of othets, and among other Illustrations. I referred to a book written by a Virginian, I did not cite the name of the book, in which the hero, through a biter hatred of a certain family, determined to lower a member of that family to the depths of degradation. He succeeded, and the boy, Jils passion of natred being played upon, became a reprobate, a criminal, and a fugitive of justice. The hero of the story sought to make restitution by surrandering himself to the authorities. But what restitution can be rendered for the loss of a soul? And this hero of the book was the partaker of the reprobate's sins in every respect.

"I characterized the book as the ghastily as would cause one to wonder why it was written, except for the money that could be gotten out of it."

Dr. Evans said that his was a large congregation, a considerable part of which was young men, and that he was preaching the regular sermon, with no mitentions of sensationalism.

KILLED CHILDREN

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AND SHOT HIMSELF

(By Associated Press.)

CLEVELAND, OHIO. October 10.—B.
Schnep, a Bohemian forty-one years of age, living at No. 418 Congress Street, took his two children, Emma and John, aged four and three-years, into the cellar of their home this afternoon and killed them by shooting them in the temple. The children had been gagged to prayeff an outcry. After killing his children Schnep went to the cemetery where his wife, who died a year ago, is buried, and shot himself in the head. His wound is not believed to be fatal. Besides shooting his children, Schnep struck them on the head with a five-pound hammer. Schnen had been ill for months and brooded over the death of his wife. the death of his wife.

Resigned to Come Here. Dr. B. Cabell Hening, pastor of the First Baptist Church, of Bristol, has announced his resignation of the pastorate to take effect November 1st. Dr. Hening, who went to Bristol from Richmond, will return here to accept the position of field agent for the Baptist Educational Association of Virginia. He will enter upon his work November 1st.

Fulcher Slightly Worse.

H. L. Fulcher, who was shot by Edward Burnett just a week ago yesterday, was reported last night as being slightly worse. Up to yesterday he was doing much better, but a slight rise in temperature has somewhat weakened his condition.

Academy of Medicine To-night. The Richmond Academy of Medicine and Surgery will meet this evening at \$:30 at the T. P. A. building.
Dr. George Ben. Johnston and Dr. H. S. MacLean will both read papers.

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### NEW STEAMBOAT COMPANY FORMED

Three Big Lines Merged-Will Have Joint Bond Issue

(By Associated Press.)

BALTIMORE, MD., October 10.—A deal was consummated to-day whereby the Weems Line of Steamers, the Chester River Steamboat Company, and the Queen Anne's River Company were merged. The new company will be known as the Maryland, Delaware and Virginia Rallway Company. The new company will have a bond issue of \$2,000,000, which has already been financed. It will also have an issue common and preferred stocks, the exact amounts of which have not been determined. The properties, with their capitalization, are as follows:

Weems Company, 10 steamboats, capital stock, \$300,000.

Chester River Steamboat Company, 4 steamboats, capital stock, \$150,000.

Queen Anne's Rallroad, 50 miles of rallroad, and leases covering three steamers, bonds and stock issued, \$2,515,000. Seventeen steamers and eighty miles of rallroad; total capitalization, 13,475,000.

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#### For Pennsylvania Railroad.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BALIIMORE, MD., October 10.—The completion of a deal for the purchase of the Weems Steamboat Company and their consolidation with the Queen Anne's Railroad Company, was announced to-day. The buyers are ostensibly a syndicate of New York, Philadelphia and Wilmington capitalists, but it is thought that the purchase was made in the interest of the Pennsylvania Railroad, which will thus obtain a monopoly of all the transportation lines on the Eastern the transportation lines on the Eastern Shore of Maryland and Virginia.

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## BELIEVE ARENTS WILL NOW RECOVER

Young Man's Mind Is Absolute Blank So Far As Race Is Concerned.

(Special to The Times Dispatch.)
NEW YORK, October 10.—For the first time since his frightful accident, George Arents, Jr., the wealthy tobacco mer-Arents, Jr., the wealthy tobacco merchant, regained consciousness to-day, but his mind is an absolute blank as far as the occurrences of Safurday are concerned. A clot of blood on the brain is said to be accountable for this loss of memory, and it is not likely that he will be able to remember anything about the race or its horrible consequences till the clot is reduced and finally removed. The operation on the skull that was thought necessary will not have to be undergone, unless the patient has a decided change for the worse.

To-day when Mr. Arents regained consciousness he found his wife, who has been constantly at his side since the catastrophe, sitting by the bed. He at once asked where he was and what had happened. When told that his machine had upset in the race and that he had been injured, he asked, "What race?" hen an effort was made to recall to his mind the incidents of the big race, he insisted that he was being fooled, and tried to arise. He was restrained with difficulty, and after administering some quieting potions, the doctors decided that he must not be asked any questions until his condition improved greatly.

It is considered certain that Mr. Arents will recover, unless unlooked for complications arise.

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which does not include the regular theatre-goers.

The production this season is inferior to any former presentation of the play seen here. In the first place, with a few exceptions, some of those being in the minor roles, the company was not as strong as the others that have appearance here. The Marcus Superius of Mr. George Flood, while forceful at times, could not compare with that of Charles Daiton. Mr. Flood naturally played the part slong the same lines followed by Mr. Dailton, for he was the latter's understudy. However, in the stronger scenes, he failed to bring out their full power and force, notably so in the final scene of the fourth act.

A Hot Old Time.

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Headed by William McRoble, dominated by Mrs. General Blazer, alded and abetted by a score or more of pretty girls and several good comedians, "A Hot Old Time" was presented at the Bijou last night to a house that was filled to the doors, and laughed and applauded illl it began to look as though midnight would find the players cavorting around the stare.

ind the players cavorting around the stage.

There is no plot worth troubling about in the play, but there is a store of wit, humor, song, dancing and comicalities that keeps the audience in a roar from the minute the curtain is rung up till the last ensemble.

The costumes are elegant, the music catchy and bright and the marches innovations. There are no dull moments during the entire performance. As Sandy McPherson, William McRoble had all sorts of troubles, and incidentally he made life a burden for those who placed him in a position to make life a burden. He mixed things up in-a delightful way, doing his full share to add to the merriment.

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Miss Florence Hughes was Mrs. General Stonewall Blazer, and she was the boss of the whole outfit. She was, having General Blazer in a pickle from the beginning of "hostilities."

Victor Stone, as Jack Treadwell, the flot-ball player, was immense, while Harry Yost made a capital Alkaki Ike, Joseph Weber, as General Blazer, the down-trodden and oppressed husband of Mrs. Blazer, made the most of his part.

The chorus is a fine one, the singing and dancing being excellent in every respet.

"A Hot Old Time" will be presented every night this week, with a matinee to-day.

Maude Adams Matinee. Negotiations were make yesterday by telegraph by which it was arranged with Miss Maude Adams to give a matinee

Miss Maude Adams to give a matinee Saturday.

Miss Adams, as a rule, will not play but once a day, and, therefore, declines to appear at matinee performances. When her advance representative was here last week, he said that, knowing the wishes of his star, he must decline to allow a matinee to be announced.

The demand for a matinee, however, was so great that Manager Rex, after much wiring yesterday, succeeded in inducing the management to prevail upon Miss Adams to give an afternoon performance.

"Dolly Varden."

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There are three sopranos in the cast of "Dolly Varden," which is something very unusual, also one finale quartette, one sextette, one octette, two mixed quartettes and two male trios, vocal combinations never before known in the cast of a comic opera.

"Dolly Varden" abounds in unusual numbers that are immensely popular with the lovers of the better class of music; some of the ensemble numbers are of exceptional graindeur. Long after the engagement of "Dolly Varden" many of the infolies will be whistled and sung all over the city. An especial orchestra is carried with the company, which will be seen at the Academy this afternoon and to night.

Clever Harry Beresford.

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Harry Beresford, in a merry farce, will be the attraction at the Academy tomorrow, matines and night. This oddiction, with good spirits, will give Chas-T. Vincent's best effort, "Our New Man," Mr. Beresford in this play is said to have many opportunities for the display of his peculiar mannerisms and prolific oddities, His facial study, we are told, rivals that of the best known of modern comedians. He will be supported by a cast of more than usual excellence, in which handsoma gowning by the ladies and correct costumink by the gentlemen will add particular interest, particularly to the feminine portion of the audience.

MINISCRED, DEPARDED

MINISTER DEBARRED.

Ministerial Union Refused to Admit Rev. J. L. Robinson, Unitarian mit Rev. J. L. Robinson, Unitarian
Rev John'L. Robinson, who recently adderssed a communication to the Ministerial Union, asking to be allowed to join, was in a meeting yesterday declared to be ineligible to election in that body. The officers of the union would not state the reason for this action, but it was probably because of Mr. Robinson's denomination. Mr. Robinson is a Unitarian minister, being the pastor of the First Unitarian Church, of Richmond, which congregates for the present in Monroe Hall.

Mr. Robinson is a man of arts, having been educated at Harvard, where he received his degree and he is regarded as a zealous minister of the Unitarian faith.

## **ELOPING PAIR** UNDER ARREST

Richmond Traveling Man Runs Away With Young Girl-The Knot Tied.

Girl—The Knot Tied.

(Epecial to The Times-Dispatch.)
Lynchelleurg, VA., Oct. 19.—Chief of Police Pendleton received a request from Christiansburg yesterday to meet the Norfolk and Western passenger train from the west and arrest Harry Hamet and Clara Gardner, who had cloped from that town. Upon the arrival of the train Officer Glauner found the couple occupying a state room in a Fullman. The officer gave them time to dress, took them to police headquarters, where the man was locked up, and the girl was held at headquarters.

The chief sent out for breakfast, and they were permitted to eat it, after which the man was again locked up.
The chief was asked to hold them until the mother and her attorney, J. R. Johnson, could get here. They arrived Sunday afternoon, and after they ascertained the condition of affairs it was decided best that the couple should marry. But as the young lady lived in Christiansburg, the license could not be issued here, and by request Officer Glauner accompanied them back. Mr. Glauner returned to-day and stated that the couple managed to obtain a license in Roanoke and were married there. Captain Johnson told the chief that Hamet claimed to have recently gone to Christiansburg in order to matriculate at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute. The officials at that institution denied this, and further investigation disclosed that Hamet traveled for a Richmond house.

### BRYAN SAYS HE IS IN EARNEST

By Associated Press.)

MARYSVILLE, MO., October 10.—William J. Bryan addressed an open air meeting to-day, pleading for the election of Joseph W. Folk, Democratic candidate for Governor of Missouri. Touching on national affairs, he said he believed his hearers would give him credit (or courage enough to oppose Parker open) if he did not regard him as the best man for the place, and that he hoped his reputation for truth and veracity was such that his friends would believe him when he said he was supporting the Democratic nominees by every means in his power.

# HANLON ENDS IN PITIABLE PLIGHT

#### FEARS DAUGHTER HAS BEEN KIDNAPPED

been living here for some years, mostly at hotels, fears that her thirteen-year-old daughter has been kidnapped. The mother is prostrated with grief.
Gladys, Winona Tremaine, the missing girl, will be fourteen next December. She is unusually handsome and highly educated. Mother and daughter, she is the only child, were at the Astor House. It had been their intention to sall for Europe in a few days. While on an errand for her mother the girl disappeared.

Serious Charge Against It. Frank Hayes and Laura Hayes, colored, were arrested last night and carried to the Second Police Station on a warrant charging them with stealing a lot of sheets, table cloths, shirts, window sindes, etc., belonging to Beverly Williams, Later the two were hailed for their appearance in the Police Court this morning.

Advice to the Aged.

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